IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER MAY 1 8 2007

AMENDMENT

Re:

LANGLOIS, Robert W.

Serial No.: 10/805336

Filed: Mar 22, 2004

Title: Method of Powder Coating Examiner: PARKER, Frederick John

FROM-Riches McKenzie & Herbert LLP

Confirmation No. 9072

Art Unit: 1762

Atty Case No.: P78403

Toronto, Ontario, Canada

May 17, 2007

To:

Mail Stop Amendment - NO FEE

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the examiner's Final Action mailed on November 22, 2006, the due date of which has now been extended until MAY 22, 2007, reconsideration of the rejection by the examiner is requested.

The principal objection by the examiner resides in the interpretation by the examiner that the adhesion layer applied by the prior art discloses the purpose and use of the adhesive primer of the amended claim thereby rendering the subject matter obvious in view of the references.

None of the references disclose the application of an adhesive/primer to a substrate to increase the electrical surface conductivity of the substrate required by the claims of the present

application. This novel feature is neither disclosed nor rendered obvious by any of the references taken singly or in combination.

The examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider his position in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

LANGLOIS, Robert W.

By: / Paul Herbert

Reg. No. 27,278

PLH/las Encl.

Riches, McKenzie & Herbert LLP Suite 1800, 2 Bloor Street East Toronto, Ontario M4W 3J5 Canada

Tel.: (416) 961-5000 Fax: (416) 961-5081

FROM-Riches McKenzie & Herbert LLP

E-Mail: riches@patents-toronto.com